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COUNTRY Germany (Soviet Zone) REPORT NO. [redacted]

TOPIC Welzow Airfield

EVALUATION see below PLACE OBTAINED [redacted] 25X1

DATE OF CONTENT 12 and 13 June 1952

DATE OBTAINED [redacted] DATE PREPARED 10 July 1952

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1. [redacted] source learned from a conversation between the chief of the Bauunion and the construction supervisor of Welzow airfield that construction work at the field must be completed by August 1952 at the latest. After the completion of the field the construction implements and work force are to be transferred to Inowitza. The shipment of narrow gauge field tracks and dumpcars was started.

2. [redacted] source learned from a talk with the Soviet construction superintendent at Welzow airfield that some sections of the southern taxiway which had been constructed for a strength of 15 centimeters in 1951, are allegedly to be covered with a concrete layer 10 centimeters thick. The runway and some sections of the taxiway constructed in 1952 had a 25-centimeter surface. An air raid shelter with a surface bearing resistance of 1,000 kg per square meter was built under the flight control station in Welzow. For the support of its beams, reinforced concrete was used. *

25X1 * [redacted] Comment. The two sources give supplementary information on the airfield southwest of Cottbus which is under construction. The target date reported by source 1 is credible if it refers to the taxiway. According to previous reports, some buildings are also to be constructed.

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